Rail link with Manipur

*111. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Manipur is not connected by Railways;

(b) whether it is also a fact that it is technically feasible to connect Manipur by rail; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Work on construction of a Metre Gauge railway line from Silchar in Assam to Jiribam in Manipur is in progress.

Nadiad-Kapadvanj-Modasa railway line

*112. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present estimated cost of the proposed Nadiad-Kapadvanj-Modasa railway line;

(b) the amount which has been spent so far on the proposed railway line;

(c) whether it is a fact that earth work on the proposed railway line has been completed; and

(d) if so, by when the proposed railway line is expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Rs. 35 crores.

(b) Expected expenditure upto March, 87 is Rs. 3.90 crores.

(c) No Sir.

(d) Its completion will depend upon the availability of resources in the coming years.

Quota seats for M.Ps in IA services

*113. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no quota of seats for Members of parliament in the Indian Airlines domestic flights and difficulties are being faced in emergency cases during Session of Parliament and non-Session period; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to fix some quota of seats in each fight from delhi as well as from other airports in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Indian Airlines has provided a quota of four seats (two each in Executive and Economy class) on all their Airbus flights and of two seats on Boeing 737 flights out of Delhi, during parliament Sessions. Besides, M. Ps are given priority over other wait-listed passengers on all their flights throughout.

(b) There is no proposal at present to provide exclusive quota of seats for the MPs from other stations.

*114. [*Transferred to the 12th March*, 1987].

Spurious and sub-standard medicines in the market

*115. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that markets in the country are flooded with spurious and sub-standard medicines;

(b) if so, what is the number of cases of spurious and sub-standard medicines which have come to the